

Leadership Team 2019-2020

BOARD OF DIRECTORS-VOTING OFFICERS		
President	Kumar Mallikarjunan	
President-Elect	George Annor	
Immediate Past President	Rachel Prososki	
Treasurer	Kirsten Ruud	
Assistant Treasurer	Sarah Fahey	
Secretary	Tess Tierney	

OTHER VOTING MEMBERS			
Finance Chair	Emily Grisbeck		2018-2020
Director at Large	Pranabendu Mitra		2019-2021
Director at Large	Joanie Zhang		2019-2021
Director at Large	Corinne Egan		2019-2021
Director at Large	Tina Hacker		2018-2020
Director at Large	Dena Strehlow		2018-2020
Director at Large	Naomi Sundalius		2018-2020
Newsletter Editor	Yiwen Thor		2018-2019

GREAT PLAINS SUBSECTION		
Chair	Srinivas Janaswamy	
Chair Elect	TBD	
Past Chair	Padmanaban Krishnan	
Secretary-Treasurer	Lin Wei	
Member-at-Large	Brenda Stemwedel	
Member-at-Large	Muthu Muthukumarappan	
Student Representative	Maryam Enteshwari	

COMMITTEES	
highlighted in RED - defined by Section Bylaws	
Strategic Leadership Planning (<i>Committee Chair, One Director-at-Large, at least One Past Chair and at least One member from the Membership and Finance committee</i>) Dan Kennedy (Chair) Dana Dronen Naomi Sundalius Rachel Prososki (Co-Chair) Sharon Herzog Mary Schmidl Kumar Mallikarjunan	
Bylaws (<i>Chair of committee, up to 4 additional members</i>) Gary Reineccius (Chair) Mary Schmidl	

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Dairy Technology <i>(Recommended minimum of 3 members)</i> Gerry Buescher (Chair) Tom Aurand Cheryl Bell Donna Miller Tonya Schoenfuss Sonia Patel	
Education Dena Strehlow (Chair) Dennis Lonergan Vaidhyanathan Anatharamakrishnan Luu Misen	
Employment Kevin McElroy (Chair) Michael Getter	
Finance <i>(Chair and minimum of 4 members including Treasurer & Assistant Treasurer)</i> Dana Dronen, Advisor Corinne Egan, Advisor Emily Grisbeck, Finance Chair Kirsten Ruud, Treasurer Sarah Fahey, Assistant Treasurer	
Financial Accountability <i>(Chair and minimum of 2 additional members)</i> Dan Kennedy (Chair) Rusty Nelson Mary Schmidl	
Golf Outing Cheryl Bell (Chair) Rusty Nelson Michael Getter Paul Nordling Jim Duffy Nick Hartman	
Macy Award <i>(Chair and minimum of 4 additional members, plus President-Elect)</i>	
Hasmukh Patel (Chair)	2019-2021
John Larkin (Past-Chair)	2018-2019
Kumar Mallikarjunan	2018-2019
Anup Kollanoor	2017-2019
Brenda Knapp-Polzin	2018-2020
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Membership	
Sharon Herzog (Chair) Kelly Porter Torrie Schlecht Rusty Nelson	
New Professionals	
Lindsay Budin (Chair) Tess Tierney (Past-Chair) Sarah Fahey Chelsey Keeler Yiwen Thor Fei Cheng Mike Getter Marjanie (MJ) Kinney Yara Benavides Paz Fredreana Hester	
Newsletter <i>(Chair and recommended minimum of 3 total members)</i>	
Yiwen Thor (Chair) Luu Misen Dilpreet Kaur	
Nominations & Elections <i>(3 section members, including Past-President)</i>	
Beth Ann Nylander	2018-2019
Mary Schmidl	2018-2020
Rachel Prososki (Chair)	2019-2021
President's Award <i>(Current President and preferable 2 immediate Past-Presidents)</i>	
Rachel Prososki (Chair) Beth Ann Nylander Kumar Mallikarjunan Mary Schmidl	
Programming <i>(President-Elect shall serve as chair)</i>	
George Annor (Chair) Kumar Mallikarjunan (Past-Chair) Cheryl Deinken Ellen Johnston Trevor Sannes Tanu Tokle Sonali Ragunath	

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Scholarship *(chair+5 members (2 members alternating 2 year terms; Section president-elect is 5th member))*

Hasmukh Patel (Chair)	2018-2019
Wayne Scheck	2017-2019
Padmanaban Krishnan (Vice-Chair)	2018-2020
George Annor	2019-2020
Anuradha Vegi	2017-2019
Eun Joo Lee	2017-2019
Jiajia Rao	2018-2020
Silent Auction	
George Annor (Chair)	
Vaidhy Anantharamkrishnan	
Lisa Pannell	
Aaron Roberts	
Chelsey Ehleringer	
John McDonald	
Stephen Kaufman	
Kurt Schneider	
Sharon Herzog	
Michael Cooper (Advisor)	
Student Engagement	
Dilpreet Kaur (Chair)	
Vaidhyanathan Anantharamkrishnan	
Lucy Hansen	
Rachel Mitacek	
Alissa Schneider	
Yara Benavides Paz	
U of M Food Science Club President (2018-2019)	
Sophie Held	
Suppliers Expo	
Michael Getter (Chair)	
Tina Hacker (Past-Chair)	
Elana Schwartz	
Fern Panda	
Segolene Leclercq	
Beth Ann Nylander	
Nick Hartman	
Leslie Rask	
Lauren Gillman	
Section Photographer	
Jodi Nelson	
Social Media	
Gabriela John Swamy	
Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/groups/50918726371/	
LinkedIn: https://www.linkedin.com/groups/1845107/profile	
Twitter: https://twitter.com/MNIFT/	

Committee Chairs

Committee	Committee Chair	Email Address
By-Laws	Gary Reineccius	
Dairy Technology	Gerry Buescher	
Education	Dena Strehlow	
Employment	Kevin McElroy	
Finance	Emily Grisbeck	
Financial Accountability	Dan Kennedy	
Golf	Cheryl Bell	
Macy Award	Hasmukh Patel	
Membership	Sharon Herzog	
New Professionals	Lindsay Budin	
Newsletter	Yiwen Thor	
Nominations & Elections	Rachel Prososki	
Programming	George Annor	
Scholarship	Hasmukh Patel (Chair)	
Scholarship	Padu Krishnan (Vice Chair)	
Silent Auction	George Annor	
Student Engagement	Dilpreet Kaur	
Supplier's Expo	Michael Getter	
Social Media	Gabriela Swamy	
Strategic Leadership Planning	Rachel Prososki	

Outgoing Directors-at-Large

Trevor Sannes		2017-2019
Dana Dronen		2017-2019
Baraem Ismail		2017-2019